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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALTER ELDER, EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO DIRECTOR, CIA

SUBJECT: Notification Procedures

Attached is a list of standard coded designators which will be used in passing significant information on (TS) National Reconnaissance Program satellite reconnaissance events. If unclassified phone is used the coded designators will be used. Notification will be made in person or by secure grey phone whenever feasible.

Events not considered in the unusual or potentially troublesome categories will not be called in between 2100 and 0800 hours local Washington time. Events of unusual significance will be passed immediately.

JOHN L. MARTIN, JR. Brigadier General, USAF Director, (S) NRO Staff

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Standard Coded Designators For Key Events in (S) NRO Satellite Reconnaissance Missions

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Unclassified Code Designator	
A C	ARGON CORONA
G W	GAMBIT WEATHER
Event Number	
Unclassified Code Designator	Classified Meaning Successful launch
. 2	Failure to attain orbit
3	Vehicle operating normally
4	First recovery successful (CORONA J)
5	Second recovery successful (CORONA J)
6	Single recovery for ARGON, GAMBIT, CORONA mural
7	Capsule in water
8	Failure to recover
9	Technical difficulties
10	Acquisition
Example of Phone Call	
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